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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hideaki SAKAI, et al.

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FOR: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING FRIED INSTANT NOODLES

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- ☒ The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
- ☐ A check is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

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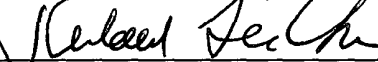
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**STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY**

**Reference AS on Form PTO-1449 (JP 04-346763):**

This reference is discussed on page 2, line 10 of the specification.

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	AO	EP 863805	4/22/98	EUROPE			
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	AQ	EP 378893	7/25/90	EUROPE			
	AR	JP 02-190146	7/26/90	JAPAN (w/English Abstract)			✓
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	AT	JP 11-221034	8/17/99	JAPAN (w/English Abstract)			✓
	AU	JP 04-96992	3/30/92	JAPAN (w/English Abstract)			✓
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<b>OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)</b>							
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